

pages the images were obtained from. The stored images can then be displayed to the user, such that the user can simply click on any of the number of displayed images in order to instantiate a browser and direct it to the URL where the image was obtained. Helfman describes a first layout in FIG. 1, where the chosen images can be arranged in an overlapping format. Helfman also describes a second layout in FIG. 2, where the chosen images can be arranged in a non-overlapping format.

The action indicates that col. 3, lines 5-24 of Helfman discloses “each non-overlapping display area having independent display controls and configured to independently display a web page received by the computer,” as recited in claim 1. This is incorrect.

Col. 3, lines 5-24 describe generally how the images to be displayed are obtained. Helfman describes obtaining the images from an image cache (lines 6-10). Helfman also describes obtaining the images by searching the internet for web pages and then extracting the images (lines 12-15). Additionally, Helfman describes allowing the user to either manually input, cut and paste from an application, or supply from a bookmarks file a list of URLs from which to obtain images (lines 15-24).

Helfman then goes on to describe displaying the obtained images in either of an overlapping or non-overlapping format. The non-overlapping format can be created using “standard two-dimensional bin-packing algorithms to avoid the overlap associated with the random placement approach of FIG 1. Another suitable display technique involves displaying images according to size (e.g., placing the largest images in the center of the display).” *See* col. 3, lines 25-32.

In summary, Helfman describes obtaining a number of images from web pages, and creating a display of the images such that a user can click one of the images to return to the web page from which the image was obtained. The obtained images can be displayed in an overlapping or non-overlapping format. However, Helfman does not suggest displaying web pages in individual display areas. Rather, Helfman only displays images, and then instantiates a browser to display the web page where the image was obtained. Thus, Helfman does not teach or suggest, “each non-overlapping display area having independent display controls and *configured to independently display a web page received by the computer.*”

Additionally, it is clear from FIGs. 1 and 2 that Helfman does not teach or suggest providing independent display controls for each display area. Thus, Helfman would not teach or suggest to one of skill in the art, “each non-overlapping display area *having independent display controls* and configured to independently display a web page received by the computer,” as recited in claim 1.

Since the applied art fails to show at least one feature of claim 1, claim 1 should now be in condition for allowance. Claims 2-8, which depend on claim 1, should be allowable for at least the same reasons, as well as the respective features recited therein.

Claim 9

Claim 9 is directed to a display system for displaying web pages and recites in part, “a display having display controls and a plurality of non-overlapping display areas, *each display area having independent display area controls and configured to independently display a web page*, each display area having a size.” Helfman fails to suggest at least this feature.

As explained in relation to claim 1, Helfman describes displaying a number of images that link to web pages. However, Helfman does not suggest a plurality of non-overlapping display areas, each configured to display a web page itself. Likewise, Helfman does not suggest a plurality of non-overlapping display areas, each having independent display controls, as recited in claim 9.

Since the applied art fails to show at least one feature of claim 9, claim 9 should now be in condition for allowance. Claims 10-18, which depend on claim 9, should be allowable for at least the same reasons, as well as the respective features recited therein.

Claim 19

Claim 19 is directed to a method of displaying web pages and recites in part, “displaying the requested web pages wherein the requested web pages are displayed in a non-overlapping manner in a display area having size; changing the size of a first web page displayed in response to a sizing control command; and resizing the web pages other than the first web page to maintain the size of the display area of all the web pages.” Helfman fails to suggest at least these features.

Helfman describes obtaining and displaying a number of images that link to web pages. Helfman describes displaying the obtained images in either of an overlapping or non-overlapping format. The non-overlapping format can be created using “standard two-dimensional bin-packing algorithms to avoid the overlap associated with the random placement approach of FIG. 1. Another suitable display technique involves displaying images according to size (e.g., placing the largest images in the center of the display).” *See* col. 3, lines 25-32.

However, as discussed in relation to claims 1 and 9, Helfman only describes displaying images that the user can click to instantiate a browser and direct it to the page where the image was obtained. Helfman does not describe displaying multiple web pages in a display area. By contrast, claim 19 specifically recites “displaying the requested web pages wherein the requested web pages are displayed in a non-overlapping manner in a display area having size.”

Additionally, claim 19 recites “changing the size of a first web page displayed in response to a sizing control command; and resizing the web pages other than the first web page to maintain the size of the display area of all the web pages.” Helfman describes displaying images using “standard two-dimensional bin-packing algorithms to avoid the overlap,” or “displaying images according to size (e.g., placing the largest images in the center of the display).” Applicants cannot find any reference in Helfman to resizing other web pages to maintain the size of the overall display. Thus, Helfman’s description of using an algorithm or image size to avoid overlap in displaying images would not suggest to one of skill in the art changing the size of a first web page in response to a sizing control command, and resizing the other displayed web pages to maintain the size of the overall display.

Since the applied art fails to show at least one feature of claim 19, claim 19 should now be in condition for allowance. Claims 20-23, which depend on claim 19, should be allowable for at least the same reasons, as well as the respective features recited therein.

Claim 24

Claim 24 is directed to a display system for displaying web pages and recites in part, “a display having a plurality of non-overlapping display areas configured to independently display a web page received by the computer.” Helfman fails to suggest at least this feature.

As explained above, Helfman only describes displaying images that the user can click to instantiate a browser and direct it to the page where the image was obtained. Helfman does not describe displaying multiple web pages in a plurality of non-overlapping display areas configured to independently display a web page. Thus, Helfman fails to teach or suggest, “displaying the requested web pages wherein the requested web pages are displayed in a non-overlapping manner in a display area having size,” as recited in claim 24.

Since the applied art fails to show at least one feature of claim 24, claim 24 should now be in condition for allowance.

Claim 25

Claim 25 is directed to a display system for displaying web pages and recites in part, “a display having a plurality of display areas configured to independently display a web page received by the computer; and a display control configured to activate a group of the display areas to each display a web page from a list of web page sites.” Helfman fails to suggest at least these features.

As explained with respect to the above claims, Helfman only describes obtaining and displaying a number of images that link to web pages. Helfman does not describe displaying multiple web pages in a plurality of display areas configured to independently display a web page, as recited in claim 25.

Furthermore, Helfman describes at col. 3, lines 15-21, a list of URLs that can be compiled either manually by the user, cut and pasted from an application, or taken from a bookmarks list. However, this list is used only to obtain images to display. *See* col. 3, lines 20-22 of Helfman (“The web page images are obtained from the web pages associated with the list of URLs.”). Thus, Helfman does not suggest a display control to activate a group of the display areas to each display a web page from a list of web page sites. By contrast, claim 25 specifically recites “a display control configured to activate a group of the display areas to each display a web page from a list of web page sites.”

Since the applied art fails to show at least one feature of claim 25, claim 25 should now be in condition for allowance. Claims 26-29, which depend on claim 25, should be allowable for at least the same reasons, as well as the respective features recited therein.

Claim 30

Claim 30 is directed to a display system for displaying web pages and recites in part, “a computer system configured to send requests for web pages via the network to web page sites, *the computer system configured to receive web pages via the network from web page sites based upon a selected list of the stored web page sites in the data storage area; and a display having a plurality of display areas, each display area configured to independently display a web page received by the computer.*” Helfman fails to suggest at least these features.

As explained in relation to claim 25 above, Helfman does not describe displaying multiple web pages in a plurality of display areas configured to independently display a web page, as recited in claim 30. Furthermore, the list of URLs described in Helfman is only used to obtain images to

display. Helfman does not suggest a computer system configured to receive web pages from web page sites based upon a selected list of stored web page sites. Thus, Helfman fails to teach or suggest "the computer system configured to receive web pages via the network from web page sites based upon a selected list of the stored web page sites in the data storage area," as recited in claim 30.

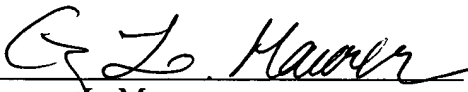
Since the applied art fails to show at least one feature of claim 30, claim 30 should now be in condition for allowance. Claims 31-35, which depend on claim 30, should be allowable for at least the same reasons, as well as the respective features recited therein.

CONCLUSION

The claims in their present form should now be allowable. Such action is respectfully requested.

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